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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q55419

Naoshi SUGIYAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/373,589

Group Art Unit: 2622

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Examiner: Twyler Marie LAMB

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For: PRINTER AND RECORDING MATERIAL FOR THE SAME

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanying the Notice of Allowability dated April 25, 2005, Applicant submits the following comments:

**REMARKS**

Applicant notes that the Examiner's particular comments regarding the reasons for allowance are not applicable to all of the independent claims. The Examiner asserts that the prior art of record does not disclose "storing in the discriminator, reference information which represents acceptable recording material and to check the discernment information of the recording material with the reference information." However, independent claims 21, 28, 29 and 30 do not recite a discriminator.

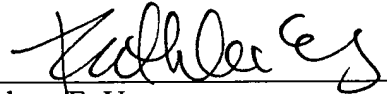
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In addition, the Reasons for Allowance merely loosely paraphrase claims 1 and 38, and therefore do not accurately restate aspects of the claimed invention.

Respectfully submitted,



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